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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Title: GAMMA-1 AND GAMMA-3 ANTI-HUMAN CD23 MONOCLONAL ANTIBODIES AND USE
THEREOF AS THERAPEUTICS

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This reply is responsive to the Final Office Action dated October 22, 2002. Kindly enter the following amendments and remarks prior to further examination:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the first paragraph on page 1 to read as follows:

1-1 This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 08/803,085, filed February 20, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,011,138, issued January 4, 2000. W

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 45-47, 49, and 54-60, and add new claims 61-70, as shown below:

-- 45. (Amended) A composition containing an anti-human CD23 antibody according to claim 42 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

42 46. (Amended) A composition containing an anti-human CD23 antibody according to claim 43 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.